



Bio of Dr. Sam Natapoff

Dr. Natapoff currently serves as Senior Advisor to New York State Governor David A. Paterson for International Commerce, Deputy Commissioner of NYS Department of Economic Development for International and Senior Vice President for International Economic Development for the Empire State Development Corporation.

Dr. Natapoff has wide experience in international economics, trade, investment, and business development. As the founder and CEO of his own international economics and business-consulting firm for a decade, his clients included numerous private sector clients as well as Fortune 500 firms.

Dr. Natapoff has worked with multiple government agencies in five countries in the areas of monetary policy, international trade, investment, and business development. Having spent a year in Brussels working at the European Parliament, he later worked at the European Central Bank and the German Bundesbank. He was also appointed to the International Trade Administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce during the Clinton Administration, as well as working with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. More recently, he served as a senior consultant to the State of Massachusetts for international trade and investment.

He has published numerous articles on international economic issues, including international monetary policy, technology development, EU institutional development, as well as U.S. domestic politics.

Dr. Natapoff received his B.A./M.A. in Modern History from Balliol College, Oxford University and his Ph.D in political science from the George Washington University in Washington D.C. He speaks French and German, is married, and lives in New York City.